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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 1005.38, F.S., which provides an exemption from public records requirements for investigatory records held by the Commission for Independent Education and an exemption from public meetings requirements for a probable cause panel wherein exempt information is discussed; requiring a recording for any portion of a closed probable cause panel meeting; providing a public record exemption for the recording of a closed probable cause panel meeting; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemptions; reorganizing the section; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

- Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of section 1005.38, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 1005.38 Actions against a licensee and other penalties .--
- (6) The commission may conduct disciplinary proceedings through an investigation of any suspected violation of this chapter or any rule of the commission, including a finding of probable cause and making reports to any law enforcement agency or regulatory agency.
- (b)1. All investigatory records held by the commission in conjunction with an investigation conducted pursuant to this subsection, including minutes and findings of an exempt probable

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cause panel meeting convened in conjunction with such investigation, are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution for a period not to exceed 10 days after the panel makes a determination regarding probable cause.

- 2.a. Those portions of meetings of the probable cause panel at which records made exempt pursuant to subparagraph 1. are discussed are exempt from s. 286.011 and s. 24(b), Art. I of the State Constitution. The closed portion of a meeting must be recorded and no portion of the closed meeting may be off the record. The recording shall be maintained by the commission.
- b. The recording of a closed portion of a meeting and the minutes and findings of such meeting are exempt from s.

 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution for a period not to exceed 10 days after the panel makes a determination regarding probable cause.
- 3. This paragraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, $\underline{2015}$ $\underline{2010}$, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.
- Section 2. The Legislature finds that it is a public necessity to make exempt from public records requirements recordings of any portion of a closed meeting of the probable cause panel of the Commission for Independent Education. Release of such recordings would compromise those discussions of the commission members which took place during a closed meeting and negates the public meeting exemption. In addition, the public records exemption for the recording of closed probable cause

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56 panel meetings is temporary; thus, ensuring public oversight is
57 provided.

Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2010.

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